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2. WE QUESTION WHETHER SUCH BELATED SUMMARY RECORDS HAVE ANY VALUE OR SERVE ANY PURPOSE. WE UNDERSTAND THIS PROBLEM HAS BEEN STUDIED IN THE PAST, AND MAY PERHAPS STILL BE UNDER CONSIDERATION IN THE INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEES. IN ANY EVENT, THIS PROCEDURE IS IN NEED OF MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENT. PERHAPS THE BASIC NEED FOR THESE SUMMARY RECORDS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BY THE NATO MANAGEMENT ADVISORY SECTION, WITH THE AIM THAT P AND P COMMITTEE SUMMARY RECORDS ARE EITHER (1) PUBLISHED ON A MORE TIMELY

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